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LOK SABHA

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GAUGE CONVERSION PROJECTS IN TAMIL NADU
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the length and stretches of metre gauge lines in Tamil Nadu as of now;

(b) the stretches of metre gauge where Broad gauge conversion is underway;

(c) the estimated cost of the BG line conversion projects in Tamil Nadu; and

(d) the quantum of allocation so far, showing current year allocation separately, for the BG conversion projects of Tamil Nadu?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BASANAGOUDA R. PATIL)

(a) & (b) : As on 01.04.1992, a total of 2907 kms of Meter Gauge track was existing in the State of Tamil Nadu, out of which gauge conversion of 995 kms has been completed till 31.3.2003. Work is in various stages of progress on 1280 kms length.

(c): The total estimated cost of gauge conversion projects in Tamil Nadu is Rs.2928.09 Crore.

(d): Total outlay of Rs.1338.65 crore has been provided for gauge conversion projects upto March 2003 and the total budget outlay during 2003-04 for all the gauge conversion projects in the State of Tamil Nadu is Rs. 92.89 crore.